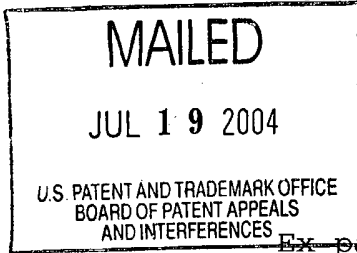


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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
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~~Ex parte~~ PAUL J. BRUINSMA, SURESH BASKARAN,
JAGANNADHA R. BONTA and JUN LIU

Application No. 09/481,988

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on June 21, 2004. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being electronically returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below:

According to the file contents, appellants filed two Rule 1.131/1.132 Affidavits on January 11, 2000. In addition, in appellants' amendment filed on November 16, 2000, beginning on page 7, appellants discuss declarations filed by Dr. Liu and Dr. Berg. Furthermore, on page 9 of appellants' Appeal Brief filed on February 5, 2004, appellants, again, mention declarations filed by Drs. Liu and Berg. However, a review of

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the application reveals that no such declaration filed by Dr. Berg exists in the record.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner to notify appellant to submit a copy of the Rule 1.131/1.132 Declaration filed by Dr. Berg, for the examiner to have the Declaration electronically scanned and made part of the official record, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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